

and any suggested methods for minimizing respondents' burden, including the use of automated information techniques. The Commission bases its paperwork burden estimates on the additional paperwork burden presented by the proposed new Reliability Standard TPL-008-1. The new defined term "extreme temperature assessment" is not expected to generate any new burden as it is a definition

used within the body of Reliability Standards. Reliability Standards are objective-based and allow entities to choose compliance approaches best tailored to their systems. Additionally, proposed Reliability Standard TPL-008-1, Requirement R1 identifies each responsible entity that shall complete its responsibilities such that the extreme temperature assessment is completed at least once every five calendar years. The

NERC Compliance Registry, as of November 20, 2024, identifies unique U.S. entities that are subject to mandatory compliance with proposed Reliability Standard TPL-008-1, as 62 planning coordinators (PC) and 204 transmission planners (TP). Based on these assumptions, we estimate the following reporting burden:

#### PROPOSED BURDEN TPL-008-1 DOCKET NO. RD25-4

Reliability standard	Type and number of entity <sup>5</sup>	Number of annual responses per entity	Total number of responses	Average number of burden hours per response <sup>6</sup>	Total burden hours
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4)	(3) * (4) = (5)
<b>Annual Collection TPL-008-1 FERC-725N</b>					
Annual review and record retention.	62 (PC) 204 (TP)	1 1	62 ..... 204 .....	88 hrs., \$70.67/hrs ..... 56 hrs., \$70.67/hrs .....	5,456 hrs., \$385,576. 11,424 hrs., \$807,334.
Total for TPL-008-1	.....	.....	266 .....	.....	16,880 hrs., \$1,192,910.

*The annual responses and burden hours for proposed Reliability Standard TPL-008-1 will be 266 responses: 16,880 hours.*

*Respondents:* Businesses or other for-profit institutions; not-for-profit institutions.

*Frequency of Responses:* On occasion.

*Necessity of the Information:* This order approves the Reliability Standard pertaining to transmission system planning performance requirements for extreme temperature events. As discussed above, the Commission proposes to approve proposed Reliability Standard TPL-008-1 pursuant to section 215(d)(2) of the FPA because it establishes transmission system planning performance requirements to help ensure that the Bulk-Power System will operate reliably during extreme heat and extreme cold temperature events.

*Internal Review:* The Commission has reviewed the proposed Reliability Standard and made a determination that its action is necessary to implement section 215 of the FPA.

*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of

the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: May 2, 2025.

**Carlos D. Clay,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. P-2942-057; P-2984-128]

##### Presumpscot Hydro LLC and Relevance Power Maine LLC; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

The EA contains Commission staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the proposed upgrade to the generating units and construction of a new transformer at the Eel Weir Project and the proposed modifications to the transmission lines at both the Dundee and the Eel Weir projects. The EA also contains alternatives to the proposed action and concludes that the proposed amendment would not constitute a

major Federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

The EA may be viewed on the Commission's website at <https://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number (P-2942-057 and P-2984-128) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

All comments must be filed by June 2, 2025.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary,

<sup>5</sup> Number of entities data taken from the NERC compliance registry, dated November 20, 2024.

<sup>6</sup> The estimated hourly cost (salary plus benefits) is a combination based on the Bureau of Labor

Statistics (BLS), as of 2024, for 75% of the average of an Electrical Engineer (17-2071) \$79.31/hr., 79.31 × .75 = 59.4825 (\$59.48-rounded) (\$59.48/hour) and 25% of an Information and Record Clerk

(43-4199) \$44.74/hr., \$44.74 × .25% = 11.185 (\$11.19 rounded) (\$11.19/hour), for a total (\$59.48 + \$11.19 = \$70.67/hour).

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket numbers P-2942-057 and 2984-128.

The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, community organizations, Tribal members, and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

For further information, contact Jeremy Jessup at 202-502-6779 or [Jeremy.Jessup@ferc.gov](mailto:Jeremy.Jessup@ferc.gov).

Dated: May 2, 2025.

**Carlos D. Clay,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC25-12-000]

#### Commission Information Collection Activity (Ferc-542); Comment Request; Extension

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is soliciting public comment on the currently approved information collection, *FERC-542: Gas Pipeline Rates: Rate Tracking*.

**DATES:** Comments on the collections of information are due July 7, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit comments via email to [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov). You must specify the Docket No. (IC25-12-000) and the FERC Information Collection number (FERC-542) in your email. If you are unable to file electronically, comments may be filed by USPS mail or by hand (including courier) delivery:

- *Mail via U.S. Postal Service only, addressed to:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

- *Hand (including courier) delivery to:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852.

*Docket:* To view comments and issuances in this docket, please visit <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>. Once there, you can also sign-up for automatic notification of activity in this docket.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kayla Williams may be reached by email at [DataClearance@FERC.gov](mailto:DataClearance@FERC.gov), or by telephone at (202) 502-6463.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* FERC-542, Gas Pipelines Rates: Rate Tracking.

*OMB Control No.:* 1902-0070.

*Type of Request:* Three-year extension of the FERC-542 information collection requirements with no changes to the reporting requirements.

*Abstract:* The Commission uses FERC-542 filings to verify that costs

which are passed through to pipeline customers as rate adjustments are consistent with the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA), 15 U.S.C. 3301-3432, and sections 4 and 5 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), 15 U.S.C. 717c and 717d. These statutory provisions require FERC to regulate the transmission and sale of natural gas for resale in interstate commerce at just and reasonable rates. This collection of information is also in accordance with section 16 of the NGA, 15 U.S.C. 717o, which authorizes FERC to implement the NGA through its rules and regulations.

The regulations at 18 CFR part 154 include provisions that allow an interstate natural gas pipeline to submit filings seeking to:

- Recover research, development and demonstration expenditures (18 CFR 154.401);
- Recover annual charges assessed under 18 CFR part 382 (18 CFR 154.402); and
- Passthrough, on a periodic basis, a single cost or revenue item such as fuel use and unaccounted-for natural gas in kind (18 CFR 154.403).

FERC-542 filings may be submitted at any time or on a regularly scheduled basis in accordance with the pipeline company's tariff. Filings may be: (1) accepted; (2) suspended and set for hearing; (3) minimal suspension; or (4) suspended for further review, such as technical conference or some other type of Commission action. The Commission implements these filing requirements under 18 CFR part 154.

*Type of Respondents:* Jurisdictional Natural Gas Pipelines.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*<sup>1</sup> The Commission estimates the total burden and cost for this information collection as follows:

Type of response	Average annual number of respondents	Average annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden hours & cost per respondent	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (rounded)	Cost per respondent (rounded)
	(1)	(2)	(1) * (2) = (3)	(4) <sup>2</sup>	(3) * (4) = (5)	(5) ÷ (1)
Request to Recover Costs from Customers.	102	2	204	2 hrs; \$206 .....	408 hrs; \$42,024 .....	\$412

*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the

Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection

of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection;

<sup>1</sup> Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide

information to or for a Federal agency. Refer to 5 CFR 1320.3 for additional information.

<sup>2</sup> The Commission staff estimates that the industry's hourly cost for wages plus benefits is similar to the Commission's \$103.00 FY 2025 average hourly cost for wages and benefits.